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**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the establishment
of the Indianapolis chapter of the Our Kids Program.

Crawford

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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Whereas, The Our Kids (O. K.) Program was founded to help foster effective partnerships between police agencies, schools, students, and community members, and to provide positive guidance and support to African-American males ages 12 to 18;

Whereas, The mission of the O. K. Program is to reduce the high levels of incarceration and homicide rates among African-American males, efforts that result in the reduction of the high school drop out and teenage pregnancy rates that affect the African-American community;

Whereas, The mission of the program is accomplished by offering African-American police officers and other adult males as role models to guide youth toward positive life choices such as college, military service, and vocational training;

Whereas, On Friday, September 3, 2004, the Indianapolis chapter of the O. K. Program was introduced to the community;

Whereas, This team mentoring program has received numerous awards, including the Jefferson Award, the U.S. Attorney General's Award for the most effective juvenile delinquency program, and the President's 945th Point of Light Award; and



Whereas, The O. K. Program has served more than 1,400 young men in its 14 years of operation and, as a testament to the program's success, not a single graduate of the program has gone to prison: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly recognizes the
- 2 good work of the O. K. Program and wishes the newly created
- 3 Indianapolis chapter success in the future.
- 4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 5 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the
- 6 Indianapolis chapter of the O. K. Program.

